

THE WEATHER

Tonight and Saturday, Fair.

TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

METAL QUOTATIONS

Silver	90 1/8c
Copper	23 1/2c
Lead	6 1/2c
Quicksilver	\$1.06

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GERMANY WITHDRAWS TERMS

BAKER GRILLED BY SENATORS ON HIS WAR SPEECH

CLAIM OF ADEQUATE EQUIPMENT MISLEADS COUNTRY, DECLARES WEEKS TODAY.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Secretary of War Baker was grilled by senators of both parties who didn't agree with his favorable statement of war preparations during his examination before the military committee today. The senators declared his statement that war supplies are adequate tended to mislead the country. Senator Weeks asserted the country "should not be lulled to sleep by a general statement of facts that does not exist."

Secretary Baker explained he meant only to convey the impression that all men ready for the fighting line were adequately equipped.

Baker was apparently serene during the rapid cross-questioning and puffed a cigar as he answered the questions calmly. He admitted ordnance was needed for training men in camp, but said the time needed to train the men in France will give him time to increase ordnance supplies.

He said his latest information was that quantity production of the Browning machine guns would begin in February, but conceded the testimony of Crozier and other manufacturers that it would not begin before April would "be the most reliable."

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Secretary of War Baker read an exhaustive statement when he took the stand yesterday in the senate investigation, and when it was concluded questions began to fly from every side of the committee table, launching a cross-examination that probably will continue all day today.

Chairman Chamberlain and other committee members wanted to know particularly about delays in furnishing machine guns and rifles and much attention was devoted to the army's supply purchasing system. Mr. Baker admitted there had been some mistakes and delays, but declared that all fighting men in France were adequately equipped and armed, and that all sent over would be. He took full responsibility for delay in approving a machine gun, holding that the value of the Browning gun now developed was worth it. He also said the superior weapon obtained by having the British Enfield rifle re-chambered for American ammunition compensated for the delay there.

More than 1,500,000 Americans are now under arms, Secretary Baker said, and an army of substantial size already is in France ready for active service.

Members of the committee were frank in their disapproval of the secret purchasing system of the department. Mr. Baker, however, insisted it was essential to guard against publicity concerning plants engaged on war work.

The secretary said he canceled the much discussed rag sorting contract on the recommendation of the quartermaster general and because the government proposed to do the rag sorting work itself. The Bass Rag Sorting company, he said, was to get a profit of only 1/4 cent a pound.

Senator McKellar referred to the relationship between Samuel Kaplan of the supplies committee and a brother interested in the sorting plant, and Secretary Baker said he did not know of the relationship until recently.

"Do you think a policy of that kind is wise?" the secretary was asked.

"It has turned out to be unwise," said Secretary Baker. "But you can't get anybody to buy things wisely unless you get men who are experienced in their business."

"How much did the blunder, or whatever you may call it, cost the government?" asked Chamberlain.

"Nothing," Mr. Baker replied.

Questioned about secrecy attend

United States Of Russia is Leaders' Plan

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 9.—(Wednesday)—The social revolutionists are planning to hold a convention of peasants' deputies and other organizations in connection with the all-Russian workmen's and soldiers' congress on January 21.

An effort will be made to form a federation of Russian republics, including the Ukraine, Siberia, Don Territory and the Caucasus.

The French government has appointed General Tabouille representative of France to the Ukraine republic. Petrograd considers this tantamount to French recognition of the independence of the Ukraine. An officer of the French military mission made the announcement.

SUFFRAGE BILL UP TO SENATE

CANVAS INDICATES THAT IT WILL NOT PASS; ADVOCATES MAY NOT PRESS IT NOW.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The suffrage resolution, which passed the house yesterday, was sent to the senate today. A recent poll of the senate indicated it is unlikely to pass that body. Advocates may not press it until they can muster the necessary two-thirds vote.

HUNS THREATEN TO DEPORT FRENCHMEN

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—A German official statement, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Central News, says:

"As a reprisal for the retention of inhabitants of Alsace-Lorraine against the law of nations, 600 French will be conveyed to Russia from January 6 and within a few days 400 French women will be sent to the camp at Holzminden (Duchy of Brunswick)."

WOMAN SPY SUSPECT JAILED IN HANFORD

(By Associated Press.)

HANFORD, Cal., Jan. 11.—Elizabeth Gustoff, apparently a German, was arrested here today on suspicion of being a spy. She carried a letter referring to Fort Grant, Ore., and the Presidio, San Francisco, and to the sending of a mysterious set of plans. Another letter said "I will help the kaiser all I can."

(By Associated Press.)

SANTA CRUZ, Jan. 11.—Mrs. Gustoff, arrested in Hanford, lives on a farm seven miles out from here and is alleged to have been seen several times in company with Franz Schulenberg, alleged master spy, held at San Francisco.

BIG FIRE AT WINNIPEG.

(By Associated Press.)

WINNIPEG, Jan. 11.—Fire destroyed the Eaton office and store building in the heart of the retail district here today, with a loss estimated at three-quarters of a million dollars. The temperature was 20 degrees below zero and this hampered the firemen, three of whom were injured while fighting the flames.

MILLAY ELECTED.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 11.—Jerry Millay of Eureka was elected director of the California State Automobile association today.

ing the awarding of army contracts, Secretary Baker declared he issued an order that they not be made public and that he considered it wise policy.

Christmas Offer Void Says Von Kuehlmann to Allies

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah.

	1918	1917
5 a. m.	23	23
9 a. m.	32	32
12 noon	41	32
Maximum Jan. 10	24	35
Minimum Jan. 10	6	21
Relative humidity at noon today	52 per cent.	

MILLION COPIES OF ADDRESS TO SHOWER GERMANY FROM SKY

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Referring to a report it is intended to drop a million copies of President Wilson's address on Germany from airplanes, the Chronicle, while commending the idea as a possible means of causing a national strike in Germany, recalls the recent announcement that pilots caught dropping propaganda will be shot as spies, appeals for an automatic machine to distribute propaganda.

SHEEPMEN READY FOR UTAH MEETING

QUESTIONS OF PRICE FIXING AND OTHER VITAL MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED.

(By Associated Press.)

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 11.—Questions regarding the price of wool and mutton in the United States and the possibility of the government regulating prices will be considered at the convention of the National Woolgrowers' association to be held in Salt Lake City January 17, 18 and 19, according to Dr. S. W. McLure, secretary of the association.

Dr. McLure stated that more than 1,000 sheepmen and others drawn from all parts of the country would attend. Many of the members are also members of the National Livestock association, which will hold its convention here January 14, 15 and 16.

David F. Houston, United States secretary of agriculture, is expected to address the livestock association's convention and Dr. McLure said that an effort would be made to have him speak also before the woolgrowers.

In addition to woolgrowers, packers and commission men and experts in the United States department of animal industry will address the sheepmen. The railroads have announced special fares to the delegates of either one or both conventions.

The complete program of the Na-

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LOCATE INCA CITY.

(By Associated Press.)

MADRID, Jan. 11.—News has been received here of the discovery in Brazil of the site of the Inca city known to early Spanish and Portuguese explorers as El Dorado, and hitherto regarded as legendary. The ruins are located in the Manoa region, near the Bolivian frontier, in the midst of a dense forest. An archeological expedition including Brazilian, Spanish and Portuguese scientists, will make a detailed study of the district.

PUT IN CIVIL SERVICE.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Shipping commissioners of Seattle, New York, Boston and New Orleans were placed under civil service by the president today. They were the only commissioners in government service not so classified.

MR. AND MRS. WM. PAULL left on today's train for San Jose, where they expect to reside.

"Must Stop Demobilization And Prepare for War," Announces Lenine

(By Associated Press.)

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 11.—VON KUEHLMANN ANNOUNCED AT THE PEACE CONFERENCE THE TEUTONS HAVE WITHDRAWN THEIR TERMS MADE PUBLIC ON CHRISTMAS AT BREST-LITOVSK.

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 10.—(Thursday)—The peace conference adjourned today to Friday, to enable the Russians to prepare an answer to the Teuton declarations.

(By Associated Press.)

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 11.—The Austrian foreign minister, Czernin, at the Brest-Litovsk conference Thursday, said as Russia's allies had not replied to the invitation to participate in negotiations, it is now a question of separate peace with Russia.

He said if the Russians are animated with the same intention as the Teutons the result of the negotiations will be satisfactory. If not, the responsibility for the war will fall exclusively upon the Russians. German Foreign Minister Von Kuehlmann said he did not consider the difficulties encountered when the negotiations were interrupted sufficient cause for failure of the peace work and a possible resumption of hostilities. He said the unchangeable determination of the Teutons is to conduct parleys at Brest-Litovsk.

NO PEACE NOW SAYS CHURCHILL

UNBRIDGEABLE GULF BETWEEN ALLIES AND GERMANY; MILITARY VICTORY NEEDED.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Winston Churchill, in addressing the American Luncheon club, appealed for the sending of American soldiers to Europe quickly and in as large numbers as possible.

He said the Teuton reception of Britain's and the United States' war aims showed a gulf that no bridge could span. He added that America and England must now bend every effort toward enforcing their terms on the enemy.

"We have found complete agreement on our war aims, and now let us concentrate on practical measures to achieve them," he said. "The only way to shorten the suffering and torment is to increase the pace."

GOLDFIELD LAND SUIT WON BY FOX

Samuel Fox, it became known today, after twelve years of litigation, has won his contention that he has a mineral claim right to twenty acres of the town of Goldfield, on which are the community's largest buildings.

The decision, handed down by the general land office of the department of the interior, is final. Fox, a Tonopah pioneer, located the claim fifteen years ago. Messrs. Murphy and Meyers alleged a prior claim to the property, but their contention did not stick. The litigation ended by the decision of the general land office was between Fox and the Goldfield Townsite company. Had it been decided ten years ago the lots would

He said the document had "become null and void," owing to the non-acceptance by all enemy powers.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The Daily News Petrograd correspondent says the Bolshevik government is attempting to create a new and smaller army to "wage a war of revolution and make its front trenches the barricades against the oppressors," instead of reanimation of the old, exhausted army, as precaution against a possible break with Germany.

He says Premier Lenine, although presumably on holiday in Finland, may go to Stockholm to confer with the German and Austrian Socialists. Prior to his departure from Petrograd Lenine said:

"I fear we must stop demobilization and prepare for war. If the Germanic allies will not accept our conditions of peace we will declare a revolutionary war on them."

(By Associated Press.)

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 11.—The Russian delegation at Brest-Litovsk has announced its readiness to continue the peace negotiations at that place, according to the latest information received here.

(By Associated Press.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 10.—(Thursday)—Kaledines has been named president of the republic of Don, a report from Rostov says.

NEUTRAL ALIENS TO BE EXEMPTED

WILL BE FREED OF LIABILITY FOR ARMY SERVICE IF THEY APPEAL.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Citizens or subjects of European neutrals will be freed from liability of military service for the United States if they appeal through their diplomatic representatives here, regardless of whether they have taken out first papers. The Swiss minister has reached an agreement with the state department whereby Swiss already drafted and in some instances in actual service will be discharged if they desire on making proof of their citizenship.

BLIZZARD IN TEXAS.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—The big blizzard now centered over Texas and the Central West will save millions of dollars' worth of winter wheat, weather bureau officials predict.

The storm, with accompanying zero temperature, is being preceded by a heavy snowfall which not only will protect the wheat from freezing, but is providing needed moisture to many sections of Kansas and Nebraska, where there was reported a 7-inch snowfall.

Grain experts, following the last government report showing the greatest winter wheat acreage—and the poorest condition—in history, declared that heavy snowfalls probably would give the country a high record winter wheat crop.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 11.—Colonel Goodier, judge advocate-general of the Western department has gone to Los Angeles in connection with the discovery of an alleged plot to export to Mexico munitions held by the United States government.

probably have been worth in excess of \$250,000.

Attorney C. L. Richards handled the litigation throughout.

WILSON'S SPEECH IS PRAISED IN BRITAIN

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Arthur Henderson, former labor representative in the British war cabinet, interviewed by the Associated Press regarding President Wilson's speech to congress, said:

"Coming as it does so soon after Premier Lloyd George's speech and the labor party's war aims memorandum, President Wilson's message must expedite peace negotiations unless Germany has hardened her heart and has decided to oppose all movements which make for the interests of democracy."

"While we found the premier in his speech met the expressed wishes of labor in most every respect, it is fair to say that he was not quite as cordial toward the present Russian government as might have been. President Wilson's outstretched hand leaves no room for doubt in Russian minds. He says: 'Here's our hand. We are ready and anxious to help.'"

President Wilson's address, says the Manchester Guardian, was partly a strong affirmation and partly a supplement to, even a correction of, Premier Lloyd George's statement, which contained no word of sympathy for the fight the Russian government is making on behalf of the liberties of peoples and the rights of provinces which German and Austrian armies are over-running to determine their own political future.

The Guardian says the whole situation of the Russian people has moved Mr. Wilson deeply; that he sees that every principle in defense of which America entered the war is involved in the struggle which the Russian government is carrying on against desperate odds. Great Britain's power to aid may be limited, but her sympathy need not be, the paper says.

COPPER PRICE FIXED BY U. S. AT 23 1-2C

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Producers today were notified the government had fixed the price of copper at 23 1/2 cents for the next four months.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Officials of the council of national defense said today reports that the price of copper had been fixed are entirely unofficial. Prices are being revised and will be announced soon.

WIDOWS' CHILDREN SUCCEED IN A BLAZE

(By Associated Press.)

TRINIDAD, Colo., Jan. 11.—Four children were burned to death in a fire that destroyed a frame dwelling in Hastings, a coal mining camp near here, today. The mothers of the children were the widows of two coal miners who were killed in an explosion at the Hastings mine last year.

STATE TAX COMMISSION STARTS SESSION MONDAY

(By Associated Press.)

CAIRSON CITY, Nev., Jan. 11.—To fix the assessed valuations for 1918 on railroads, public utilities and livestock, the state tax commission will hold its first annual meeting at Carson, beginning next Monday. Secretary Fletcher of the board expressed the opinion yesterday that the entire board will be present. The work probably will occupy some time.

Under an order made by the commission some time ago the valuation to be placed on live stock must be the same as that agreed upon by the state board of equalization when it was in session several months ago. The figures established at that time also are subject to revision by the state board when it meets again next summer.

WOULD FINANCE CUBAN CROP.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Bankers here are considering financing the next Cuban sugar crop, which would involve the expenditure of \$150,000,000.

GERMANS FALL BACK; CAUGHT IN ITALIAN FIRE

DANIELS ISSUES OFFICIAL REPORT ON SINKING OF THE DESTROYER JONES.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 11.—THE TEUTONS WERE FORCED TO EVACUATE TRENCHES NEAR CAVAZZOCCHINA YESTERDAY. THEY WERE CAUGHT UNDER ITALIAN FIRE AND SUFFERED CONSIDERABLE LOSSES.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Secretary Daniels today made public the official report of the sinking of the destroyer Jones by a submarine, with a loss of two officers and sixty-four men. He praises the behavior of the crew and commends them by name. He said the submarine was not sighted until fifteen minutes after the destroyer had gone down.

The torpedo was sighted half a mile off, but a maneuver to avoid it was unavailing.

OIL CONTROL BILL IS INTRODUCED TODAY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Senator Swanson today introduced a bill authorizing the government to take possession by contract or lease or otherwise upon the issuance of an executive order all oil lands set aside as the naval reserve in California and Wyoming.

J. J. CAREW NOW SHERIFF.

(By Associated Press.)

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev., Jan. 11.—John J. Carew has been appointed by the county commissioners to fill the vacancy caused by the sudden death last week of T. W. O'Connor, sheriff and assessor of Storey county. Carew took the oath of office immediately and appointed D. P. Morgan as undersheriff. The new sheriff is a native of the Comstock and is one of the leading Democrats of the county. He is a mining engineer and formerly was employed by the Charles Butters company.

FLAT FEET PAID FOR.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 11.—The industrial accident commission ruled today "flat feet" incurred in walking a beat are justifiable basis for compensation claims, awarding Policeman Hadden of San Diego \$98 and an allowance of \$15 weekly.

BISHOP CONSECRATED.

(By Associated Press.)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 11.—Rev. William Proctor Remington, former rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church here, was consecrated bishop suffragan of the Missionary district of South Dakota yesterday.

BUTLER THEATRE TO-NIGHT

A New Screen Star SONIA MARKOVA

In "THE PAINTED MADONNA" The 1918 Drama of a Woman's Redemption

Also "THE FIGHTING TRAIL"

TOMORROW

Mme. Petrova, in "The Silent Sellers," and "A Bedroom Blunder"—a Mack Sennett comedy. Pretty girls and a scream from beginning to end.

Matinee 1:30—Night 7 & 8:30 Admission 10c and 15c